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PRODUCTION OF POLYMERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the production of polymers recorded in the country particularly in Maharashtra during the last three years, state-wise

(b) the details of proposals under consideration for development of polymers for multiple use, state-wise;

(c) the details research and development proposals cleared for development of polymers during the last three years; state-wise particularly in Mahatashtra; and

(d) the steps taken to identify new areas in public/private sectors where the use of polymers can play a vital role?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) The production of polymers in the country state-wise is as follows :-

State	2002-03(M.T)	2003-04(M.T)	2004-0S(M.T)
Andhra Pradesh	65204	74502	67620
Gujarat	2374144	2511210	2618761
Haryana	3879	4877	6017
Maharashtra	679699	695883	804840
Rajasthan	34593	35496	39001
Tamil Nadu	144647	145786	127251
Uttar Pradesh	291058	263650	299123
West Bengal	581861	767763	813132
TOTAL	4175085	4499167	4775745

(b to d): (b to d): The petrochemical industry, of which polymers are a part, is deregulated and delicensed. There is no restriction on Foreign Director Investment also. This department, therefore, does not regulate specific proposals for development or for research & development. However, the department is in the process of finalizing a National Policy on Petrochemicals to give a fillip to the growth of this sector, including polymers.